

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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Senator Rich moved the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (351842) (with title amendment)

Between lines 569 and 570 insert:

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Section 11. Subsection (4) of section 409.814, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.814 Eligibility.—A child who has not reached 19 years of age whose family income is equal to or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level is eligible for the Florida Kidcare program as provided in this section. For enrollment in the Children's Medical Services Network, a complete application includes the medical or behavioral health screening. If,

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subsequently, an individual is determined to be ineligible for coverage, he or she must immediately be disenrolled from the respective Florida Kidcare program component.

- (4) The following children are not eligible to receive Title XXI-funded premium assistance for health benefits coverage under the Florida Kidcare program, except under Medicaid if the child would have been eligible for Medicaid under s. 409.903 or s. 409.904 as of June 1, 1997:
- (a) A child who is eligible for coverage under health benefit plan on the basis of a family member's employment with a public agency in the state.
- (a) (b) A child who is covered under a family member's group health benefit plan or under other private or employer health insurance coverage, if the cost of the child's participation is not greater than 5 percent of the family's income. If a child is otherwise eligible for a subsidy under the Florida Kidcare program and the cost of the child's participation in the family member's health insurance benefit plan is greater than 5 percent of the family's income, the child may enroll in the appropriate subsidized Kidcare program.
- (b) (c) A child who is seeking premium assistance for the Florida Kidcare program through employer-sponsored group coverage, if the child has been covered by the same employer's group coverage during the 60 days prior to the family's submitting an application for determination of eligibility under the program.
- (c) (d) A child who is an alien, but who does not meet the definition of qualified alien, in the United States.
 - (d) (e) A child who is an inmate of a public institution or

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a patient in an institution for mental diseases.

- (e) (f) A child who is otherwise eligible for premium assistance for the Florida Kidcare program and has had his or her coverage in an employer-sponsored or private health benefit plan voluntarily canceled in the last 60 days, except those children whose coverage was voluntarily canceled for good cause, including, but not limited to, the following circumstances:
- 1. The cost of participation in an employer-sponsored health benefit plan is greater than 5 percent of the family's income;
- 2. The parent lost a job that provided an employersponsored health benefit plan for children;
- 3. The parent who had health benefits coverage for the child is deceased;
- 4. The child has a medical condition that, without medical care, would cause serious disability, loss of function, or death;
- 5. The employer of the parent canceled health benefits coverage for children;
- 6. The child's health benefits coverage ended because the child reached the maximum lifetime coverage amount;
- 7. The child has exhausted coverage under a COBRA continuation provision;
- 8. The health benefits coverage does not cover the child's health care needs; or
 - 9. Domestic violence led to loss of coverage.

Section 12. Effective July 1, 2011, and notwithstanding s. 409.814(4)(a), Florida Statutes, a child who is eligible for coverage under a state health benefit plan on the basis of a



family member's employment with a public agency in the state is eligible to participate in and receive Title XXI-funded coverage from the Florida KidCare program if the child is otherwise eligible.

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======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

Between lines 4002 and 4003

insert:

amending s. 409.814, F.S.; deleting a provision that prohibits a child who is eligible for coverage under a state health benefit plan on the basis of a family member's employment with a state agency from receiving premium assistance for health benefits under Kidcare; providing that a child who is eligible for coverage under a state health benefit plan on the basis of a family member's employment with a state agency is eligible to participate in and receive coverage under KidCare;